

Ledding Library News

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Free Finance Classes

Having basic financial knowledge increases your capability to provide a stable environment for you and your family. Let us help you learn how to build a better tomorrow. These free classes are presented by Key Bank from 4pm to 5:30pm on Tuesdays during February at the Ledding Library Pond House, 2215 SE Harrison St., Milwaukie.

- February 4th – Take Charge of Your Money – Learn about credit and how to use it wisely and start a budget.
- February 11th – Credit Smart – Learn about credit scores and setting up your spending plan.
- February 18th – To Your Credit, part one – Learn about credit reports.
- February 25th – To Your Credit, part two – How to start repairing your credit.

Online Resource of the Month: Learning Express 3.0

An interactive online learning tool for job searching, career and licensing exam prep, college, graduate school, and GED exam prep, and basic skills improvement in reading, writing, and math, for all ages. * If you started a course or test in Version 2.0, you must finish it in Version 2.0 by June 30, 2014. Your work will not transfer to Version 3.0.

Six Weekly Storytimes

Due to ever-increasing attendance at our morning storytimes, we've added a sixth storytime to our weekly offerings. Beginning in February, we'll have one baby, two toddler, two preschool and one family storytime every week. Each storytime has action rhymes, songs, and stories tailored to the target age group. See the calendar at right for days and times. In addition to the storytimes, we have a weekly drop-in preschool craft on Tuesday evenings from 6-7pm, and monthly Spanish and Russian storytimes for children of all ages. Storyteller and puppeteer Claudia Osorio presents the Spanish storytime on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 2pm, and bilingual librarian Ksenia Roeder presents Russian stories and songs on the second Monday of every month at 6:30pm. Sharing stories and songs with children is vitally important to their language development. It is also a great deal of fun. Come see for yourself at any one of our storytimes this month!



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On the internet: www.milwaukieoregon.gov/library

Or call us: 503-786-7580

Library Calendar

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

KNIT NITE: THURSDAYS, FROM 6:30PM -8:00PM – FICTION ROOM

NATURESCAPING 1: SATURDAY, FEB. 1ST FROM 11:00AM – 2:30PM -POND HOUSE

FIRST SATURDAY MUSIC SERIES: SATURDAY, FEB. 1ST AT 2:00PM,
"ERIC JOHN KAISER TRIO" IN THE LIBRARY

LIBRARY2Go HELP: MONDAYS, FEB. 3RD, 10TH & 24TH,
BY APPOINTMENT FROM 6:00PM - 8:30PM – REFERENCE DESK
CALL (503) 786-7546

FREE FINANCE CLASSES: TUESDAYS, FEB. 4TH, 11TH, 18TH AND 25TH AT
4:00PM – POND HOUSE

CULTURAL FORUM - PHILLIP MARGOLIN: THURSDAY, FEB. 6TH AT 7:00PM –
MILWAUKIE HIGH SCHOOL BLACK BOX, 11300 SE 23RD AVE.

DR. BUTTLER'S WELLNESS CLASS: TUESDAY, FEB. 11TH AT 6:00PM –
POND HOUSE (RSVP AT 503-786-2181)

POETRY SERIES – JOHN BREHM: WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12TH FROM 7:00PM -
8:00PM – POND HOUSE

TRIVIA NIGHT WITH "THE LIBRARIAN": THURSDAY, FEB. 13TH AT 7PM -
GAMEROOM, 1926 SE SCOTT ST.

WILLIAM STAFFORD FILM: THURSDAY, FEB. 13TH AT 7:00PM – POND HOUSE

BOOK CLUB: WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26TH AT 7:00PM –FICTION ROOM - READ
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS, BY JAMES BRADLEY

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND TEENS

BOOK BABIES: MONDAYS AT 1:00PM. AGES BIRTH-18 MONTHS

TODDLER STORYTIME: MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM. AGES 1-3

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM. AGES 3-5

DROP-IN CRAFTS: TUESDAYS FROM 6:00-7:00PM. AGES 3-5

FAMILY STORYTIME: WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM. ALL AGES

SATURDAY CRAFTS: FEB. 1ST, 8TH, & 22ND AT 2:00PM. AGES 5 & UP

HOMESCHOOLERS: AMAZING HUMAN BODY THURSDAYS, FEB. 6TH & 20TH AT
1:30PM. CRAFT TIME INCLUDED. AGES 5 & UP

RUSSIAN STORYTIME: Второй понедельник месяца 10 февраля
B 6:30PM

TODDLER DANCE PARTY: FRIDAY, FEB. 14TH AT 10:30AM. AGES 1-3

SPANISH STORYTIME: SÁBADO, 15 DE FEBRERO A LAS 2:00 PARA LOS NIÑOS
DE TODAS LAS EDADES.

BOOK BUDDIES: TUESDAY, FEB. 18TH AT 4:00PM. READ *THE ONE AND ONLY STUEY LEWIS: STORIES FROM THE SECOND GRADE*, BY JANE SCHOENBERG. AGES 7-9

BOOK GROUP FOR YOUNG TEENS: TUESDAY, FEB. 25TH AT 4:30PM.
READ *ARTEMIS FOWL*, BY EOIN COLFER. AGES 10 & UP

XBOX GAME NIGHT: WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26TH AT 6:30PM – YOUNG ADULT
AREA OF THE LIBRARY.

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEB. 17TH

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 9pm

Friday and Saturday: 10am - 6pm

Sunday: Noon - 6pm

Pond House Used Book Store

Friday and Saturday: 11am - 4pm

Books We Liked in 2013

It's no surprise that we like to read, and the Ledding Library staff read a lot of books in 2013. Here are some of our favorites:

Life After Life by Kate Atkinson
Speaking From Among the Bones by Alan Bradley
Light of the World by James Lee Burke
The Whole Enchilada by Diane Mott Davidson
Jeeves and the Wedding Bells by Sebastian Faulks
A Serpent's Tooth by Craig Johnson
Bitter River by Julia Keller
Mortal Fire by Elizabeth Knox
A Constellation of Vital Phenomena by Anthony Marra
Me Before You by Jojo Moyes
Loss of Innocence by Richard North Patterson
Manson: The Life and Times of Charles Manson by Jeff Guinn

Phillip Margolin

The 2014 Ledding Cultural Forum will kick off with *New York Times* bestseller Phillip Margolin on Thursday, February 6th. Margolin will speak about his new book *Worthy Brown's Daughter*. It's a novel inspired by a true story of frontier justice in 19th-century Oregon, *Holmes vs. Ford (1853)*, and the horrors one freed slave family went through to get their children returned to them. Margolin spent three decades researching and writing this historical novel. It's a legal thriller with real heart, one that gives a voice to those historically oppressed.

Each forum is free and will be held at Milwaukie High School's Black Box Theater, 11300 SE 23rd Avenue in Milwaukie at 7PM on the first Thursday of each month, February through November (excluding July and August.).

John Brehm Reading

The Ledding Library's Poetry Series welcomes John Brehm to read his poetry on Wednesday, February 12th at 7pm at the Ledding Library Pond House, 2215 SE Harrison St., Milwaukie.

John Brehm is the author of two award-winning books of poems, *Help Is On the Way* and *Sea of Faith*, and the associate editor of *The Oxford Book of American Poetry*. His poems have appeared in *Poetry*, *The Gettysburg Review*, *The Sun*, *The Southern Review*, *Best American Poetry*, *The Writer's Almanac*, and many other journals and anthologies. He is a freelance writer and teaches poetry at The Lighthouse Writers Workshop in Denver and Literary Arts in Portland, Oregon.

First Trivia Night of 2014

The first Trivia Night with "The Librarian" is February 13th, 2014. Join us for trivia night on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Trivia Night with "The Librarian" is held at the GameRoom, 1926 SE Scott St., Milwaukie.

Teens and adults are welcome to play on teams of 1 to 4 players to compete for nightly prizes. Teams that return to play will have their points from previous nights added together to possibly win grand prizes in April, August and December (winners must be present).

The Movie Maven Presents: Bring Home a Little Romance

It's February and romance is in the air! If you're looking for a love story to share with your Valentine, here is a rundown of some of my favorites:

It Happened One Night (1934): Claudette Colbert is a spoiled heiress running away from her father and the prospects of a loveless marriage. Clark Gable is her hero until she discovers that he is a reporter looking for a juicy story. Can romance be far behind?

The Philadelphia Story (1940): On the eve of her remarriage, society girl Tracy Lord (Katherine Hepburn) is visited by her ex-husband, C.K. Dexter Haven (Cary Grant), and a tabloid reporter, Macaulay Conner (Jimmy Stewart). Through an evening of mishaps she discovers some very uncomfortable truths about herself.

Singin' in the Rain (1952): If not the best musical of all time, this one comes very close. A satirical look at the movie industry as it reluctantly left silent films for "talkies", the love story told through music and dance is quite often breathtaking

Play it Again Sam (1972): Woody Allen stars as his usual neurotic nebbish in this film based on his play. To get over being dumped by his girlfriend, film critic Allan takes advice from his married friends and his imaginary alter ego, Humphrey Bogart. It's a sweet and funny look at relationships and the roles we play to have them.

Ruby Sparks (2012): A lonely young writer creates a perfect girlfriend only to find her alive and in his living room. A sweet and complicated romance ensues in this quirky film that questions what exactly we want in relationships and what happens when we get it.

Moonrise Kingdom (2012): This moody and beautiful Wes Anderson film chronicles the adventures of two young lovers who run away turning their town upside down. This is not necessarily a bad thing. Bruce Willis, Bill Murray and Frances McDormand star.

Silver Linings Playbook (2012): This is an unusual and touching love story between a teacher just home after a stint in a mental institution and a mysterious woman with troubles of her own. David O Russell directed this Best Picture Oscar Winner, 2013. His film, *American Hustle* has been nominated for Best Picture by the Academy this year.

And now, my choice for the most romantic film in history is...

Casablanca (1942): A rugged American with a past, a radiantly beautiful heroine and a love story based on self-sacrifice; if *Casablanca* doesn't get to you, you are missing a romance gene. Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman star in this war time tale of intrigue and passion.

So celebrate Valentine's Day with champagne, chocolates and a love story from the DVD and Blu-ray collection at your Clackamas County Library.

~Amelia Heintz



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